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In accordance with the duty of disclosure, Applicant calls to the attention of the Examiner the document cited on the attached forms PTO-1449 (Substitute). It is respectfully requested that the Examiner consider this document, and make it of record.

In the Amendment mailed on March 22, 2005, it was argued that it was not proper to combine the teachings of Ganz et al. (USP 6,049,762) with other cited art, because Ganz et al. do not mention mass spectrometry. While Applicant maintains that such combination is not proper, it is pointed out that Wang et al. (USP 6,138,082) cited herein, is a patent outside the field of mass spectrometry, which as an afterthought, in column 11, lines 6 - 9, states: "Other classes of instruments suitable for the invention are mass spectrometers, analytical x-ray instruments, and other analytical instruments that effect analytical profiles in the analysis of substances." However, there is no other mention of mass or mass spectrometry in Wang et. al.

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